IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title "MULTICOLOR HALFTONE PLATE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME" as identified in the PCT application to the title –APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD OF FORMING MULTICOLOR HALFTONE IMAGES -- as identified in the executed Inventors' Declaration, Assignment, and on page 1 of the U.S. national stage application as filed.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>.

Page 1, before line 3, ADD:

--This application claims the benefit of PCT International Application Number PCT/JP2005/004509 filed March 15, 2005 and Japanese Application No. 2004-116979, filed April 12, 2004 in Japan, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.--